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SUBJECT: LIBERIA: DEMARCHES DELIVERED ON SHIP RECYCLING AND PIRACY

REF A) STATE 45157, B) STATE 42291; C) STATE 41904

11. (U) Econoff delivered Ref B demarche regarding the May 29 meeting of the Contact Group on Piracy off the Coast of Somalia (CGPCS) to Bureau of Maritime Affairs Commissioner Binyah Kesselly on May 1 and Ref A updated information and talking points on May 5. Commissioner Kesselly welcomed the meeting and assured that the GOL would participate.

12. (SBU) Econoff also discussed with Commissioner Kesselly Ref C demarche regarding the upcoming International Maritime Organization (IMO) diplomatic conference (DIPCON) May 11-15 to discuss environmentally sound recycling of ships. Commissioner Kesselly told Econoff that Liberia had supported the USG position during previous meetings to discuss the convention in 2008 and noted that he intends to attend the DIPCON this May in person. He welcomed the additional background and information provided regarding the Australian proposal.

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